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In re: Welch et al.  
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 For: TREATING PROTEIN-CONTAINING LIQUIDS

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.

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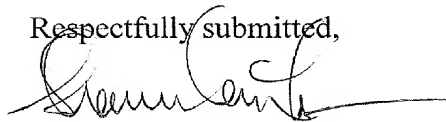
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